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Environmental activists rally for action against climate change around the Wall Street Bull in the Financial District. GETTY IMAGES

Climate protesters block streets around the world.

Thousands of climate-change protesters took to the streets in cities around the world on Monday, launching two weeks of peaceful civil disobedience to demand immediate action to cut carbon emissions and avert an ecological disaster.

In London, police arrested 217 activists from the Extinction Rebellion group as they blocked bridges and roads in the city center, and glued themselves to cars, while protesters in Berlin halted traffic at the Victory Column roundabout.

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By midday, the Berlin protest had swelled to 4,000 people

Dutch police stepped in to arrest more than 100 climate activists blocking a street in front of the country’s national museum and there were similar protests in Austria, Australia, France, Spain and New Zealand.

“SORRY that we blocked the road, but this is an emergency,” declared placards held by activists in Amsterdam.

In New York’s financial district, protesters spattered the Wall Street Bull and themselves with fake blood and lay prone around the sculpture to evoke their fears of a deadly environmental catastrophe.

The protests are the latest stage in a global campaign for tougher and swifter steps against climate change coordinated by Extinction Rebellion, which rose to prominence in April when it snarled traffic in central London for 11 days.

Last month, millions of young people flooded onto the streets of cities around the world, inspired to take action by 16-year-old Swedish activist Greta Thunberg.

Extinction Rebellion says it expects peaceful protests over the next two weeks in more than 60 cities from New Delhi to New York calling on governments to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to net zero by 2025 and halt a loss of biodiversity.

Banging drums and chanting, protesters in London took over Trafalgar Square and marched down the Mall, the avenue that leads to Buckingham Palace. They carried banners with slogans including “Climate change denies our children a future unless we act now”.

“We’re here because the government is not doing enough on the climate emergency,” protester Lizzy Mansfield said. “We only get one planet and so we’re here to try and defend it.”

> **“The climate crisis is not being taken seriously enough by politics, and also not by the companies. That’s why I joined.”**
>
> Christiaan, Demonstrator

Police chiefs said last week they would mobilize thousands of officers to handle the protests in London and that anyone who broke the law, even as part of non-violent civil disobedience, would be arrested.

On Saturday, officers used a battering ram to enter a building in south London where activists had been storing materials to use during the protests. Eight people were arrested during the raid.

Defying almost freezing temperatures in Berlin, activists singing “Solid as a rock, rooted as a tree” gathered at dawn at the Victory Column roundabout near Tiergarten park.

At sunrise, some were sleeping in insulated bags in the middle of the roundabout as police on motorbikes drove by. No arrests were made and the protest remained peaceful.

By midday, the protest had swelled to 4,000 people, a policeman said, and a second main roundabout was also blocked by activists sitting in the middle of the road.

Police began removing chanting protesters from Berlin’s Potsdamer Platz later in the day after they had occupied the central artery for much of the day, singing, making speeches and fashioning a makeshift camp out of salvaged armchairs and tents.

With events like extreme weather, thawing permafrost and a sea-level rise unfolding much faster than expected, scientists say the urgency of the climate crisis has intensified since the signing in 2015 of the Paris accord on curbing global warming.

Nearly 70 countries announced plans at a U.N. climate action summit last month to beef up their Paris pledges, but most major economies including the United States and China failed to announce stronger new measures. REUTERS

Nobel Medicine Prize won for cell oxygen response

2 Two Americans and a Briton won the 2019 Nobel Medicine Prize on Monday for discovering a molecular switch that regulates how cells adapt to fluctuating oxygen levels, opening up new approaches to treating heart failure, anaemia and cancer. William Kaelin at the U.S. Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Harvard Medical School said he was overwhelmed to get a pre-dawn call to say he and two other doctors, Gregg Semenza of Johns Hopkins University and Peter Ratcliffe of Oxford University, had won the 9-million Swedish-crown ($913,000) prize. “I don’t usually get phone calls at 5 a.m., but I knew this was ‘Nobel Monday’, so it was either going to be a poorly timed mobile call or extremely good news,” he told Reuters by telephone. “My heart started racing. It was almost surreal.” REUTERS

U.S., Australia bolster police ties on 2016 election probe

3 The United States and Australia said Monday they would work to bolster law enforcement ties as the two countries are separately cooperating on a politically charged probe examining whether U.S. officials overstepped when they investigated Donald Trump’s 2016 presidential campaign. U.S. Attorney General William Barr and Australian Minister for Home Affairs Peter Dutton met in Washington to begin negotiating an agreement that would enable police to obtain faster access to electronic evidence in the other country. U.S. officials are also working on a similar agreement with the European Commission, the European Union’s executive branch, according to the U.S. Department of Justice. Trump and his allies charge, without evidence, that the investigation was a politically motivated attempt to hurt his political prospects. REUTERS

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Philly keeping asbestos-tainted schools closed

An update about the schools laden with asbestos.

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Earlier this year, Science Leadership Academy and Benjamin Franklin High School were closed down due to asbestos.

The schools, which share the same campus, were initially supposed to be closed a few days, but it is being reported that the schools will remain closed, and all students will be sent off to another school in the area.

The 1,000 students impacted by this will be sent to South Philadelphia and Strawberry Mansion, according to Inquirer.com.

Students impacted by this have been out of school for seven days, as of Monday.

Reports say that the earliest the schools will reopen is in January.

News of this closure comes as these schools were in the midst of a $37 million construction project that was supposed to be finished in July but was not completed on time.

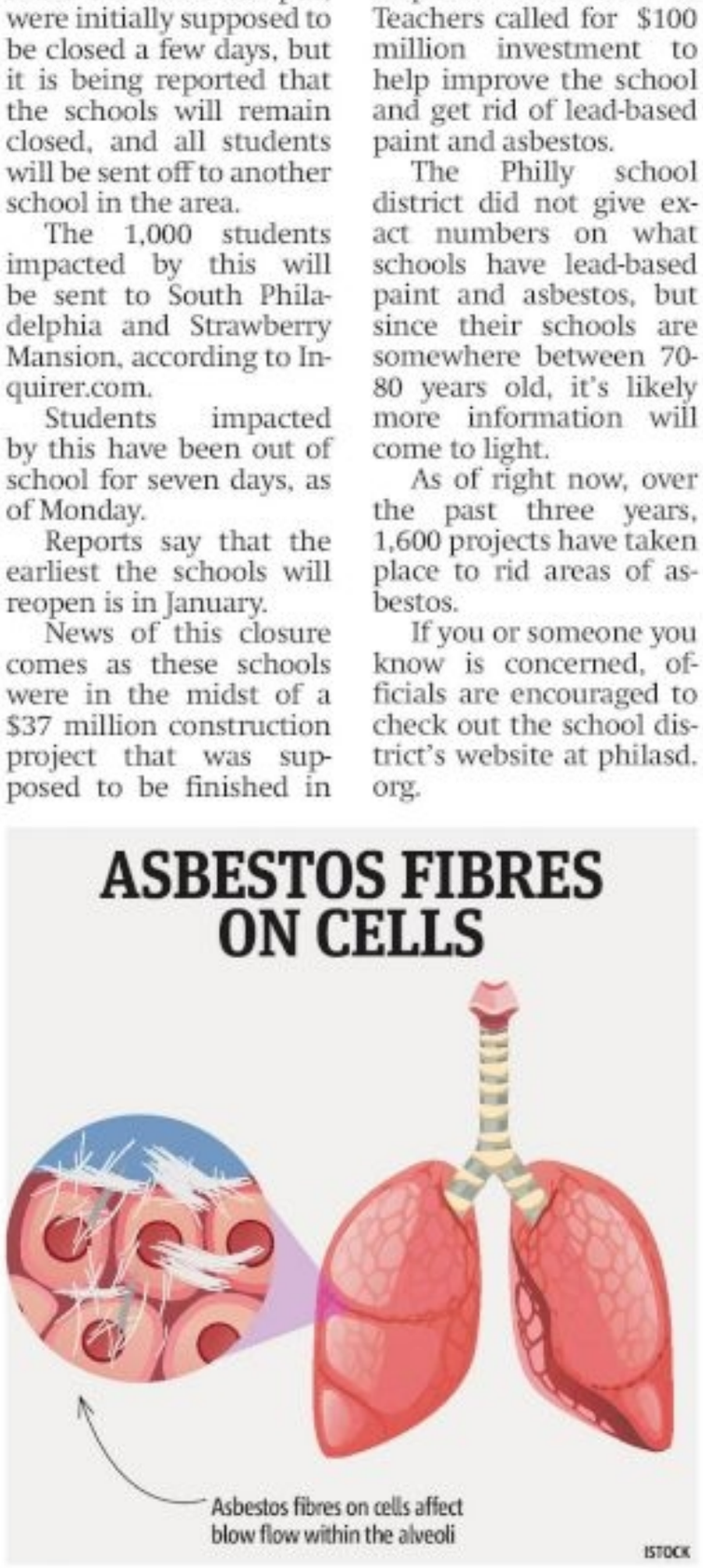
The news of no-returning to school was announced at a three-hour meeting where many gathered to hear the school district's plan. Parents were angered by the new school choices and raised many concerns about what the future of their children will be if they breathed in the asbestos.

Last month, Philadelphia's Federation of Teachers called for $100 million investment to help improve the school and get rid of lead-based paint and asbestos.

The Philly school district did not give exact numbers on what schools have lead-based paint and asbestos, but since their schools are somewhere between 70-80 years old, it's likely more information will come to light.

As of right now, over the past three years, 1,600 projects have taken place to rid areas of asbestos.

If you or someone you know is concerned, officials are encouraged to check out the school district's website at philasd.org.



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Philly locals can use the PavePHL tool to check road closures. GETTY

Northeastern Philly to get street improvements

Starting this week, motorists will have to deal with street closures and parking restrictions.

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Streets in northeastern Philadelphia are getting a makeover.

The street improvements kicked off Monday, and include temporary, full street closures and parking restrictions. Although this is the current plan, things are subject to change due to special events or weather.

Residents should plan extra time if they will be traveling in the area.

To keep updated with the progress of their street, locals can use the PavePHL tool, which is part of the city's website, StreetSmartPHL.phila.gov. The website has four tools on it, including: PermitPHL. PavePHL, PickupPHL., and PlowPHL. The site was created to help ease the communication between officials and the community. The site is currently in beta testing and officials are asking users for feedback.

This project is the initial phase of the city's resurfacing program. Although this is the start of the project, the work will be completed in phases. They will be milling, adjusting manhole covers, and resetting utility boxes in the area.

Officials offered a breakdown of the planned schedule. Milling will take place between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. The milling will take one to two days per street. Additionally, work for adjusting the manhole covers and resetting of the utility boxes will also occur from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will take one to two days per street.

The entire paving process will take somewhere between three to five weeks.

As they are working on the road, residents should expect parking restrictions. There will be "No Parking" wsigns posted before each scheduled activity. If residents remain parked in a "no parking" zone, their cars will be towed.

The work is being performed by James J. Anderson Construction Company, Inc, and it is being funded by 100 percent City Capital Budget Funds.

The following streets will be impacted by the road work:

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House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi has led the charge against Trump. REUTERS

Democrats subpoena Pentagon, White House budget office in impeachment probe

Documents to be submitted by Oct 15.

Congressional Democrats issued subpoenas to the Pentagon and the White House budget office on Monday as part of their impeachment inquiry, seeking documents related to U.S. President Donald Trump's decision to withhold military assistance from Ukraine.

The three House of Representatives committees leading the inquiry said the Department of Defense and the White Office of Management and Budget must turn over the documents by Oct. 15.

"The committees are investigating the extent to which President Trump jeopardized national security by pressing Ukraine to interfere with our 2020 election and by withholding military assistance provided by Congress to help Ukraine counter Russian aggression, as well as any efforts to cover up these matters," the committee chairmen said in a statement.

The new subpoenas follow those issued to the State Department and White House in recent weeks by the House Intelligence, Oversight and Foreign Affairs Committees.

Democrats have called a number of U.S. diplomats to Capitol Hill for closed-door testimony this week as they build their impeachment case against Trump, while the White House considers ways to slow down the process.

The interviews follow a whistleblower's allegations that Trump leveraged $400 million in aid to secure a promise from Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy to investigate political rival Joe Biden, and his son Hunter, who sat on the board of a Ukrainian energy company.

The taxpayer funds had been approved by Congress to help Ukraine protect against Russian aggression.

Trump has denied wrongdoing and assailed the probe.

Those scheduled to testify this week include Gordon Sondland, the U.S. ambassador to the European Union who was involved in efforts to get Ukraine to open the Biden investigation, and Masha Yovanovitch, who was abruptly recalled from her post as U.S. ambassador to Ukraine in May after Trump supporters questioned her loyalty to the president.

The White House could formally tell House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi as early as Monday that it will ignore lawmakers' demands for documents until the Democratic-controlled House holds a vote to formally approve the impeachment inquiry.

Pelosi says a vote is not needed. Democrats say she would prevail if one were held, although very few Republicans would be expected to side with the Democratic majority. Congress returns to Washington on Oct. 15 after a two-week recess.

The impeachment investigation could lead to the approval by the House of formal charges against Trump.

A trial on whether to remove him from office would then be held in the Republican-controlled Senate, but few Republicans have broken ranks with Trump so far for asking Ukraine and China to launch investigations of Biden, a former vice president and a leading contender for the Democratic nomination to face Trump in the November 2020 presidential election.

On Sunday, lawyers said a second whistleblower had come forward to substantiate an August complaint from an unidentified U.S. intelligence official, which touched off the investigation.

A bipartisan group of about 90 former national security officials on Sunday called on federal officials and media outlets to protect the initial whistleblower's identity, citing protections under the law, even as Trump has publicly sought for it to be revealed. REUTERS

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Trump threatens to 'obliterate' Turkish economy over Syria incursion plan

President Donald Trump on Monday launched a harsh attack on NATO ally Turkey, threatening to destroy its economy if Ankara takes a planned military strike in Syria too far even though the U.S. leader himself has opened the door for a Turkish incursion.

Trump said he would "totally destroy and obliterate" Turkey's economy if it took action in Syria that he considered "off-limits" following his decision on Sunday to pull out U.S. forces from northeastern Syria.

The U.S. withdrawal will leave Kurdish-led forces in Syria that have long allied with Washington vulnerable to a planned incursion by the Turkish military which brands them terrorists.

"We made it clear (to the Turks) that we do not support this operation. We think this operation is a very bad idea."
The official told reporters

Trump's stern words seemed to be aimed at placating critics who accused him of abandoning the Syrian Kurds by pulling out U.S. forces. Leaders from both parties and both houses of Congress joined in the criticism, including Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, Trump's fellow Republican.

"As I have stated strongly before, and just to reiterate, if Turkey does anything that I, in my great and unmatched wisdom, consider to be off limits, I will totally destroy and obliterate the Economy of Turkey (I've done before!)" Trump tweeted.

Turkey's lira slid more than 2% to its lowest level in more than a month against the dollar on Monday over concerns about the planned incursion into northern Syria and Trump's warning.

Investors have been closely watching tense ties between Ankara and Washington in recent months, with the countries at odds over a range of issues, including Syria and Turkey's purchase of Russian missile defense systems.

Turkey has repeatedly threatened to carry out an incursion against U.S.-backed Kurdish fighters in northeastern Syria who have links to Kurdish guerrillas operating next door in Turkey.

The United States began pulling troops back from the northeast Syrian border on Monday, effectively giving Turkey a green light to move into the area.

It is a major policy shift that was denounced as a "stab in the back" by Kurdish-led forces who have been Washington's most capable partners in fighting Islamic State in Syria, also known by its acronym ISIS.

U.S. House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi, a Democrat, called on Trump to "reverse this dangerous decision" to withdraw, saying in a statement that it threatened regional security and sent a message to Iran and Russia, as well as U.S. allies, that the United States is no longer a trusted partner.

McConnell, the Republican Senate leader, said in a statement: "A precipitous withdrawal of U.S. forces from Syria would only benefit Russia, Iran, and the Assad regime. And it would increase the risk that ISIS and other terrorist groups regroup."

Lindsey Graham, a Republican senator who is generally a vocal Trump supporter, on Fox News Channel criticized the Syria pullout decision as "impulsive."

France warned that the U.S. decision to withdraw from northeastern Syria could open the door to a revival of Islamic State, which has suffered significant battlefield losses to a U.S.-led coalition in the area.

Aside from Trump's threat, the State Department official and the Pentagon both said the United States did not endorse Turkey's planned offensive. REUTERS

U.S. and Turkish soldiers share a peaceful moment. REUTERS

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Judge's order releasing Trump's tax returns and blasting 'repugnant' immunity claim put on hold

The president is fighting to keep his finances private, despite his 2016 promise.

Manhattan DA Cyrus Vance and Pres. Trump have been locked in a bitter conflict over release of the president's tax returns. REUTERS

A federal judge on Monday said eight years of U.S. President Donald Trump's tax returns must be provided to Manhattan prosecutors, forcefully rejecting the president's argument that he was immune from criminal investigations.

Trump's returns will not be turned over immediately, after the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Manhattan granted the president's request to temporarily block the order, handed down by U.S. District Judge Victor Marrero.

The Manhattan judge had called the immunity claim "repugnant to the nation's governmental structure and constitutional values," and said he could not "square a vision of presidential immunity that would place the President above the law."

His 75-page decision complicates Trump's battle to keep his finances under wraps, despite having promised during his 2016 White House run that he would disclose his tax returns.

Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance, a Democrat, had subpoenaed personal and corporate tax returns from 2011 to 2018 and other records from Trump's longtime accounting firm Mazars USA.

The subpoena was part of Vance's criminal probe into the Republican president and his family business.

Marrero's decision would have forced Mazars to start turning over documents on Monday afternoon, but the appeals court said the case had "unique issues," justifying a delay.

An appeal could be heard as soon as this month. Trump has not been accused of criminal wrongdoing.

Two committees of the Democratic-controlled U.S. House of Representatives have separately subpoenaed Deutsche Bank AG for Trump's financial records, which include tax returns.

"The Radical Left Democrats have failed on all fronts, so now they are pushing local New York City and State Democrat prosecutors to go get President Trump," Trump tweeted after Marrero's decision. "A thing like this has never happened to any President before. Not even close!"

> **"[The immunity claim is] repugnant to the nation's governmental structure..."**
>
> Judge Marrero

In suing Vance last month to block his subpoena, Trump said he was immune from criminal probes while in the White House and that the U.S. Constitution required Vance to wait.

The Constitution does not say whether sitting presidents can be indicted, and the Supreme Court has not decided the issue.

Federal prosecutors cannot charge sitting presidents because presidents have temporary immunity, according to the Department of Justice, but that does not block criminal probes by state-level prosecutors like Vance or even federal prosecutors.

"It's uncharted legal terrain," Jens David Ohlin, vice dean at Cornell Law School, said in an interview."If the framers of the Constitution desired a president who was completely immune from all forms of criminal prosecution, they would have said so," he added. "The counterargument is that the Constitution would prohibit it because it would infringe on the president's ability to govern the country."

Vance issued the subpoena four weeks after issuing another subpoena to the Trump Organization for records of hush money payments, including to two women prior to the 2016 election who said they had sexual relationships with Trump, which he denies.

Those payments were made to Stormy Daniels, a porn star whose real name is Stephanie Clifford, and former Playboy model Karen McDougal, with the involvement of Trump's now-imprisoned former lawyer Michael Cohen.

Trump is also trying to block the House subpoenas to Deutsche Bank and is awaiting a ruling from the 2nd Circuit. REUTERS

Making sense of medical malpractice

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Curious if you have a medical malpractice case on your hands? Navigating the process in Pennsylvania can be confusing if you don't have the right team in your corner. Metro spent time with Jamie T. Wiggins, Esq. of Wiggins Law to break down the ins and outs of medical malpractice.

What is medical malpractice?

It happens when a medical professional breaches their duty to their patient by deviating from the accepted standard of care, which causes the patient harm. Examples include surgical errors, failing to timely diagnose and treat a condition such as cancer, or giving too much anesthesia, which can cause respiratory failure or death.

But medical malpractice is tricky because not every poor outcome or mistake is actionable medical malpractice. Some results are considered accepted or unavoidable risks of the procedure. For example, if a patient suffers esophagus damage while being intubated in an emergency situation, that will likely be considered an accepted risk of the procedure.

Sometimes there *is* negligence, but ultimately, from an economic standpoint, it is sadly just not enough to go through a medical malpractice case. Tort reform has made medical malpractice litigation extremely expensive so if you fully recover and have low damages in terms of bills, it's often not economically feasible.

This is why it's always important to discuss medical malpractice with an experienced and trusted attorney. Trust me; you can't do it alone.

Does malpractice litigation raise the cost of health care?

No, this is a false narrative used by the insurance industry and medical lobbyists to affect tort reform to limit medical malpractice litigation.

Multiple studies over the years have shown that the narrative falls flat because even in states with medical malpractice limitations and caps, the malpractice premiums haven't changed much! What's more, there have been no significant findings regarding the impact on the cost of health care.

On the flip side, medical malpractice is prolific. One Johns Hopkins study found that more than 250,000 people died in 2018 due to medical errors, making it the third leading cause of death in the United States. Tort reform and stigmatizing medical malpractice litigants actually keeps meritorious lawsuits out of courtrooms. And remember: when lawsuits go away, the bills *do not*. The victim lives a life of medical debt, or the costs are passed onto tax payers through Medicare and Medicaid.

What's the medical malpractice process like in Pennsylvania?

It's a very time-consuming endeavor because you have to prove your case before you can file it in the court system. You have two years to get everything together, but ordering the records alone can take six months. If there's a death and you need to open an estate, that also takes time. Then you have to get an independent medical expert to review all the evidence and issue a certificate of merit before you can file.

Do the majority of inquiries you receive turn out to be medical malpractice?

Thankfully, most of the calls I get are from people who are extremely frustrated with their care. That being said, doctors are not bad people and most care is actually above the standard. I encourage everyone to be their own medical advocate

and remember that you are owed a duty of "informed consent," meaning you understand and consent to the medical care you are receiving. If you don't, *ask questions*. If you're uncomfortable with the answers, get a second or third opinion.

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Leo Traveling, attending business meetings and exploring new possibilities will help you move forward. Digest the information you receive, make a choice and act with confidence. A chance to start anew is within reach.

Virgo Live within your means and stick to practical activities. If you overstep your limits, you will have to backtrack. Don't underestimate a challenger.

Libra Say yes to fun, love, exploring new avenues and finding what you want out of life. Don't put up with negativity or people who are holding you back.

Scorpio Don't share your feelings or plans. Avoid interference by carefully getting everything in place. Personal change is apparent.

Sagittarius Compassion, understanding and being part of the solution rather than the problem will help you ward off negativity and people who are trying to lead you astray.

Capricorn Finesse and charm will help you get things done your way. Changing the way you treat someone will have exceptional results.

Aquarius Be observant. Simplify your life and focus on following a tight budget. Set your goals and do what it takes to meet them.

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A challenge for the weak and weary

The Edgar Allan Poe Raid Relay and Party is this weekend.

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Head to the first annual Poe Raid and Relay this weekend. ALL PHOTOS PROVIDED

Calling all Edgar Allan Poe fans, poets, and those who just love a good competition—this weekend holds one of the most unique and eclectic events the city has ever seen. The Northern Liberties Business Improvement District recently announced a brand new annual event that will be kicking off this Saturday— the Edgar Allan Poe Raid Relay and Party extravaganza.

Philadelphians are welcome to sign up as teams of four all decked out in your best Edgar Allan Poe costume, and, as a group, each team will take on the challenge of passing on a raven through Northern Liberties (from 700 Fairmount to Liberty Lands Park) while partaking in various fun and challenging obstacles testing your wit and perseverance. Every team will be competing for the coveted prize of the Tell-Tale Heart trophy. According to the release, teams registered so far include a who's who of local and fun small businesses, including the staff of El Camino, Artstar, Creep Records, North Bowl and others.

If challenging your way through an energetic literary puzzle isn't quite your thing, you're not alone. All interested spectators are still welcome to come out and cheer on their favorite team during the relay (12 pm) and also partake in a Poe-themed party at Liberty Lands Park after the competition (1 pm) as well.

"The Poe Raid Relay Race and Party is the first new event by the Northern Liberties Business Improvement District formed in 2018," said NLBID Executive Director Kristine Kennedy in a release. "I wanted to create an event that was truly unique, very memorable, and very Northern Liberties. We wanted to celebrate the character of the neighborhood, and involve something that the neighborhood can claim as its own. We have a long, long history of being a scrappy DIY arts district - and I wanted to play on that history. The Poe Raid will also expose spectators to a new part of the neighborhood they may not have explored before."

After the race commences and prizes are awarded to the winning team and best-dressed Poe competitor, the fun really begins at Liberty Lands Park.

Starting at 1 pm guests can enjoy doll making, readings, face painting, tasty treats from El Camino, arts and craft vendors and plenty of more surprises while at the Poe-themed bash. There will also be a Poe-themed quizzo with WHYY's Peter Crimmins (1:30 pm) with a $100 North Bowl gift certificate prize, a kids literary character costume contest (2 pm, no superhero costumes), live readings of Poe's works (3 pm), Poe Puns by Mike Simons (3 pm) and much more.

The event will also feature prizes from the Edgar Allan Poe House gift shop, and information on the Edgar Allan Poe House, located at 532 N 7th St in Philadelphia.

"Edgar Allan Poe's house is on the edge of Northern Liberties, and is in a way the welcome to the neighborhood for tourists and visitors coming from Center City," Kennedy added in a release. "It is a real gem and treasure that helped inspired this first event. It is a win-win to honor that historic treasure, while creating a new annual tradition that we hope to grow - and that we hope will get weirder and weirder with each passing year. Nothing is more unique and visual than Poe dressed competitors passing a Raven through the neighborhood."

Everyone is invited out to don their best raven-black attire and truly get into the poetic spirit this Saturday—the event is dog-friendly as well. ***For more information and to sign up for the race visit explorenorthernliberties.org***

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"What keeps us together is a real bond as friends" FOO FIGHTERS

We chatted with bassist Nate Mendel on how to survive a life of rock n' roll, their next album and the band's relationship with their audience

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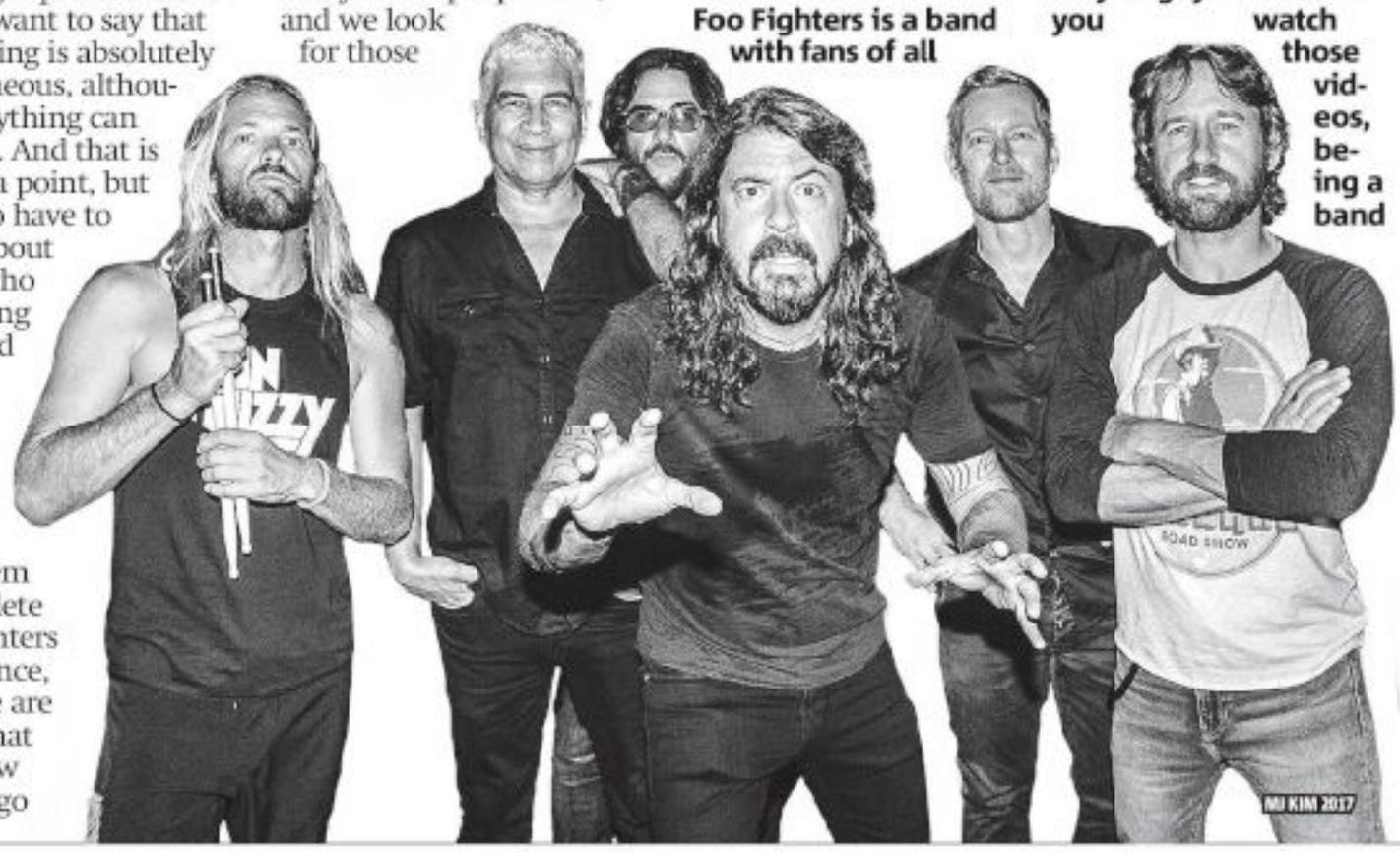
How do you choose the concert setlists? Do you prefer to please the audience or is it more a matter of combining the new and the old?
You know, there are different ways to do it. You can make several compilations, things that will put the band head on, which means that the audience will also be head on. We do that in smaller shows, where many things happen that you would not see in a larger presentation. I don't want to say that everything is absolutely spontaneous, although everything can happen. And that is true to a point, but you also have to think about those who are seeing the band for the first time, we want to give them a complete Foo Fighters experience, so there are songs that we know cannot go missing in those cases. So, well, we always have some songs that we already know people like, and we look for those moments to include those that can make the experience deeper.



Foo Fighters is a band with fans of all ages, we even see that younger people often cover your songs. What do you guys feel when you watch those videos, being a band that has been playing since the 90s?
It's very flattering because it reminds us when each of us was that kid playing, starting in music and trying to copy the things we liked, looking to learn from those bands. We all remember that. When you see kids doing the same with your band it's rewarding, and a bit strange, you know? Because somehow we still feel like a young band, although clearly we are not [*Laughs*], but we feel that way. Now kids look at us like we looked at our heroes, and it's an interesting feeling.

Do you think it has something to do with that you are not the typical rock n' roll band that the public relates to excesses?

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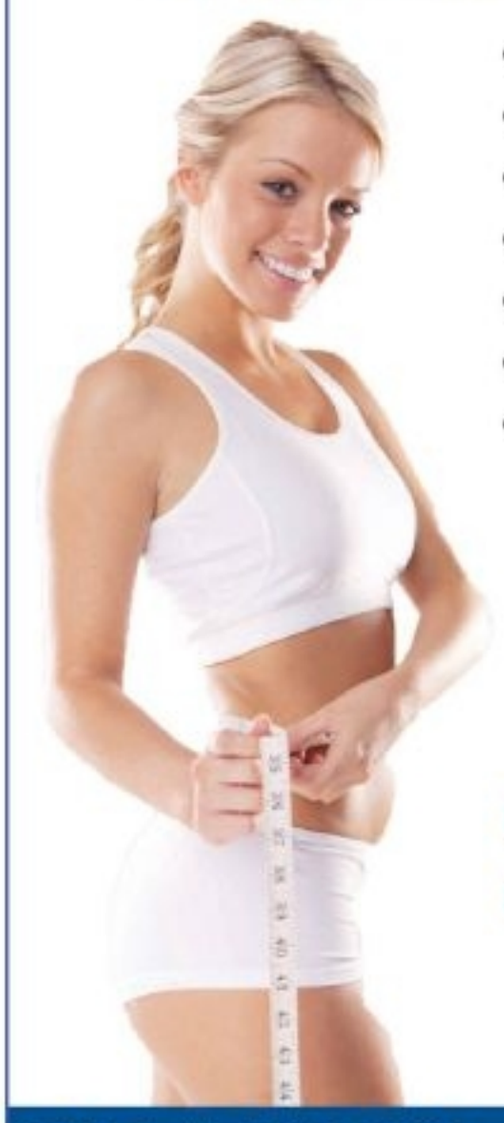

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Yes, well, I don't know. We have had our seasons, and I think we have also had moments in which we have adapted to that cliché as a lifestyle. But what keeps us together is a real bond as friends, and that relationship has been a guide for us. That's helped us stay healthy. This band is very important to us and that is why we do whatever it takes to stay healthy, something that starts with each of us.

Let's talk about the album that comes in 2020. What sounds does it bring?
Right now, that album is like a lot of puzzle pieces on the floor. There will be a movie, which we already know more or less how it will be which will not be a documentary, but for now we are all watching that puzzle and imagining how to put it together. We have loose pieces that gravitate around the idea, but not much else. We have some unedited songs that we don't know if they will be part of the album, but we are looking to create a story, waiting to see how it will turn out.

Although they don't have that definite narrative, all albums have a particular spirit. Are you already starting to feel it?

> **"I think being different is good, and it applies to many of the situations that have to do with the band".**

That's one of the few things we already know about the album, although I still can't tell you much more.
The songs we already have definitely add some color to what will be the final result. I am sure that we will work with Greg Kurstin, which gives some clues about the characteristics of the album. We will put a lot of things in a blender and an album will come out!

And on the subject of films, Foo Fighters have always been characterized by its videos in which everyone acts, such as Everlong and Learn to Fly. It is as if you guys are musicians and actors at the same time, will we see more of this in the future?
Yes, in fact I dare to say that there will be more acting than what you are used to seeing with us. [*Laughs*] We will definitely shoot more.

It's part of the fun of being in this band...
Absolutely, that's right. I have been hanging upside down, I have been hit with a stick by a dwarf, I have been in disguise, I have been in giant cylinders, I have been washed down with fire hoses, and the list goes on and on. I've been to Saturday Night Live, anyway, you never know in which strange scenario you will find us. It's part of what has made being in this band a great thing.

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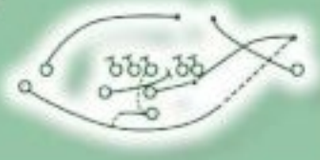

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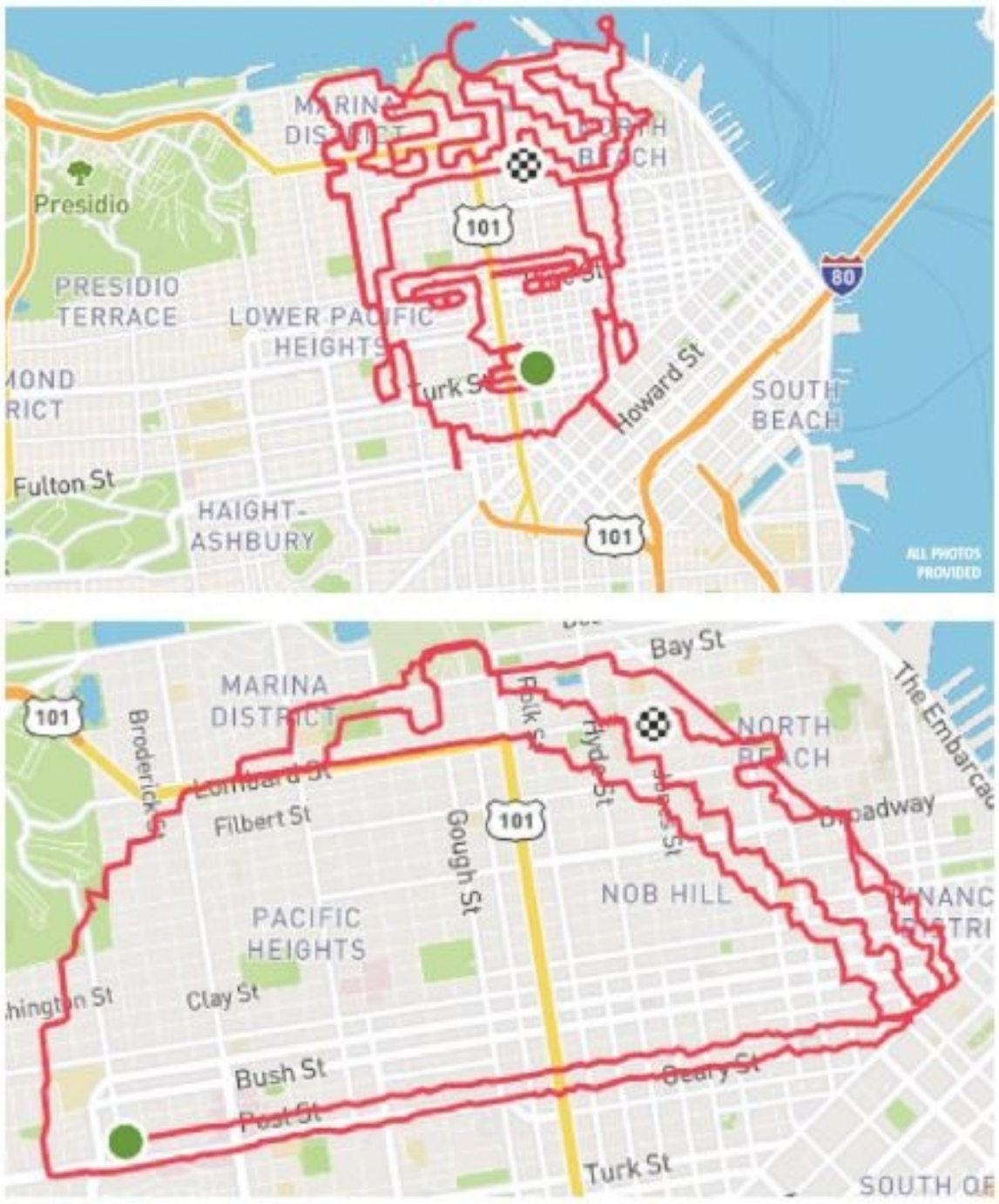

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Conversely, the Saints were +1400 to win it all two weeks ago but now have the third best odds at +800 following a pair of wins.

The truth of just how good these teams are lies somewhere in the middle, of course.

Would you bet your house on the 4-1 Saints ultimately having a better record than the 3-2 Rams when the complete 2019 NFL book is finally written?

With 12 weeks of the regular season still remaining and a ton of football left to be played, now is a great time to look at value when it comes to futures betting.

In addition to the Rams, here are some other teams worth throwing a few bucks on before their value decreases:

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Eagles

They're at +1200 right now to win Super Bowl LIV and it's unlikely you'll get them over +1000 again for the rest of the season if they win at Minnesota this coming Sunday.

Ravens

Baltimore toppled a desperate Steelers team on the road on Sunday. Losses to the Chiefs and Browns threw people off Baltimore's Super Bowl scent but here's saying they'll get it back soon. The Ravens are a juicy +2200 right now.

Seahawks

When we did this Super Bowl futures exercise two weeks ago, we also liked the Seahawks. Seattle was coming off a five point loss at home to the Saints at the time but they responded with two wins in a row. Like Baltimore, they are also +2200 to win it all right now at **MetroBet.us/Sugar.**

TWEET OF THE DAY

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Carson Wentz leads league with 12 drops by his receivers, has had to play multiple games without Alshon and DJack, and yet is still just one behind the league leaders in TD passes?

Best Bets

College FB betting: USC at Notre Dame

The Notre Dame Fighting Irish, ranked ninth nationally, should get the better of longtime rival USC on Saturday evening in South Bend, IN. Notre Dame followed its lone loss of the season against highly-touted Georgia with two multi-score victories over Virginia and Bowling Green. They're now 15th in the country in socring at 41 points per tilt. Senior signal caller Ian Book is completing over 65 percent of his passes this year for nine yards per attempt with a 13-2 TD-INT ratio. Junior tailback Tony Jones Jr. is having a solid campaign out of the backfield, rushing for 6.9 yards a carry on 55 attempts with four TDs. The Irish should be able to move the ball effectively against the Trojans' 56th-ranked scoring defense (24.8 points per game). USC has lost their only two road games of 2019, and their stunted offense sans quarterback JT Daniels is a big reason why. Third-stringer Matt Fink could be tasked with the start against Notre Dame's 13th-ranked scoring defense (14.8 points per game) if Kedon Slovis (concussion) can't recuperate fast enough. The Trojans' Vavae Malepeai-led running game is averaging just 4.2 yards per carry.

The play: Notre Dame spread

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AFTER A FUN WEEK 5, THE CHALLENGES BEGIN FOR EAGLES

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While the Eagles enjoyed a cakewalk against the Jets, their schedule is about to get much tougher. GETTY IMAGES

Well, that was a fun Sunday, wasn't it? The Eagles terrorized the inept Jets, 31-6, racking up 10 sacks and two defensive touchdowns. Fans of the Midnight Green then returned to their dens in time to catch the Cowboys expose their shortcomings in a home loss to the Packers.

Two weeks ago, the Birds were 1-2, Dallas was 3-0 — and the season felt in jeopardy. Now, they're tied for the NFC East lead at 3-2 and the good guys have the momentum.

All good. Still, let's be honest here, even as we toast Brandon Graham, newcomer Orlando Scandrick and the rest of the brawlers who, for one afternoon, evoked Buddy Ryan's brilliant Gang Green Defense.

This is not yet the team we anticipated heading into the season. And it's not playing well enough — yet — for fans to make reservations for next February's Super Bowl in Miami.

Please don't take these words as my nod to Negadelphia, or my search for that mole above Cindy Crawford's lip. I'm not saying the glass is half empty.

I'm just saying they'll need to add a few more sips to that glass before hitting the road.

The Eagles' upcoming three-week schedule will test their ability to recapture their rightful throne. They play at Minnesota, at Dallas and then at Buffalo. Those teams are a combined 10-5 (5-2 at home) and have outscored opponents by 100 points. There's not a pushover in the pack.

Let's say the Eagles survive that journey — maybe even escape with two wins. They then return to their friendly confines, only to take on the Bears, Patriots, and Seahawks. That trio is a combined 12-3 right now, although you could argue the Patriots' 5-0 record is at the expense of Division III college teams.

Regardless, it's as tough a six-game stretch as you'll find this season in the NFL. (Good news: Powder puffs are waiting at the end of the schedule). And if the Eagles are serious about planning another Super Bowl parade, a few things need to get better immediately.

First on the list is offensive sloppiness. Asked if his team played well after Sunday's 25-point win, Coach Doug Pederson said, "No, no. You saw on offense how average we played... The penalties just put us in too many long situations today: Second-and-long, third-and-long. We can't make those mistakes and expect to win each week."

Even as Carson Wentz's biggest fan, I'll admit the kid has been a bit off — missing early throws and taking too many hard hits rather than tossing the ball away. He's got to play smarter.

The Eagles couldn't throw the ball downfield Sunday. Alshon Jeffery had six catches, but for just 52 yards. Nelson Agholor, once again, was a non-factor. Please, DeSean Jackson, hurry back from that groin injury.

"I'm not going to take away from the win, because it really was a good team win," tight end Zach Ertz said Sunday night. "But little things we can be better at as a whole, as an offense. And we will be."

The defense was outstanding Sunday. The pass rush was resuscitated — breaking through the Jets' tissue-thin line all day.

Again tougher tests lie ahead and the hope is that some of the cornerbacks will check out of the infirmary and into the lineup. Meanwhile, in one game Scandrick already achieved more than any ex-Cowboy the Eagles ever acquired.

The positive, again, is that the Eagles have momentum coming off these last two wins. Let's hope they're able to carry that energy aboard the plane to Minneapolis.

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With Kapler's status still in limbo, what is going on?

There has been no word on the future of the Phillies' manager.

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Gabe Kapler's future with the Phillies remains uncertain. GETTY IMAGES

The Philadelphia Phillies need to make a decision soon on the future of manager Gabe Kapler.

It's been over a week since the Phillies' disappointing 2019 season ended at .500 — a far cry from spring expectations that envisioned them challenging for the National League East crown.

Since then, the Mets, Angels, Cubs, and Pirates moved on from their managers — rounding the list up to seven teams alongside the Padres, Giants, and Royals currently looking at the managerial market.

The silence from owner John Middleton is a concerning one as it's unclear whether he's performing due diligence or just can't make up his mind on Kapler's future.

In the process, it's revealing general manager Matt Klentak's shaky standing with the organization.

Managerial changes are usually headed by the GM and Klentak has made it known that he supports Kapler.

Whether that's to cover his rear end or not remains to be seen, but Middleton's week-long inquiry on Kapler's status might be sounding off some alarms that Klentak's pull within the organization.

Regardless, a report from the Philadelphia Inquirer last week indicated that Klentak is safe, for now.

Multiple reports last week suggested that a decision on Kapler's future is expected to come down this week, which means we are all just looking at the clock.

While Middleton could be trapped within a decisional conundrum, the silence could be something as simple as waiting for the right moment to make the move.

As silly as it sounds, Middleton might not want his decision to be watered down by several postseason games.

The Astros, Braves, Dodgers, and Yankees have opportunities to close out their respective divisional series on Monday. If Tuesday is a slow baseball day, the word might come out on the Phillies' decision.

If Kapler is on his way out, the decision needs to come as soon as possible.

Joe Maddon and Mike Matheny are already believed to be off the market as they are favorites to join the Angels and Royals.

Joe Girardi has also been linked heavily with multiple teams including the Cubs and Mets.

Philadelphia's NL East rival is doing its due diligence as the Mets are currently connected to as many as 13 candidates.

The longer the Phillies wait to remove Kapler — if they are, in fact, firing him — the slimmer the pickings become.

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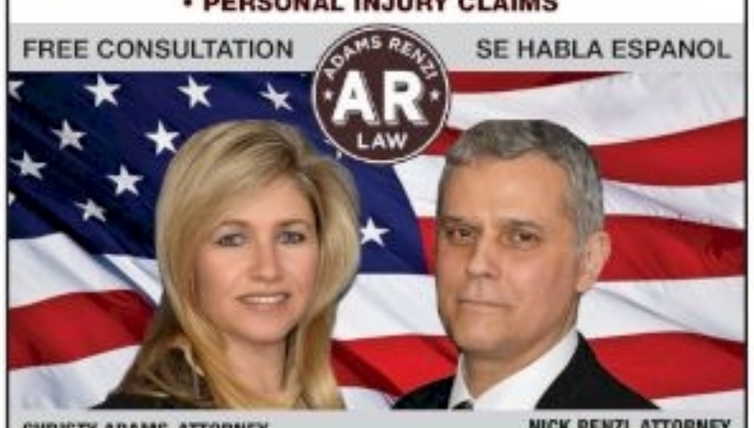

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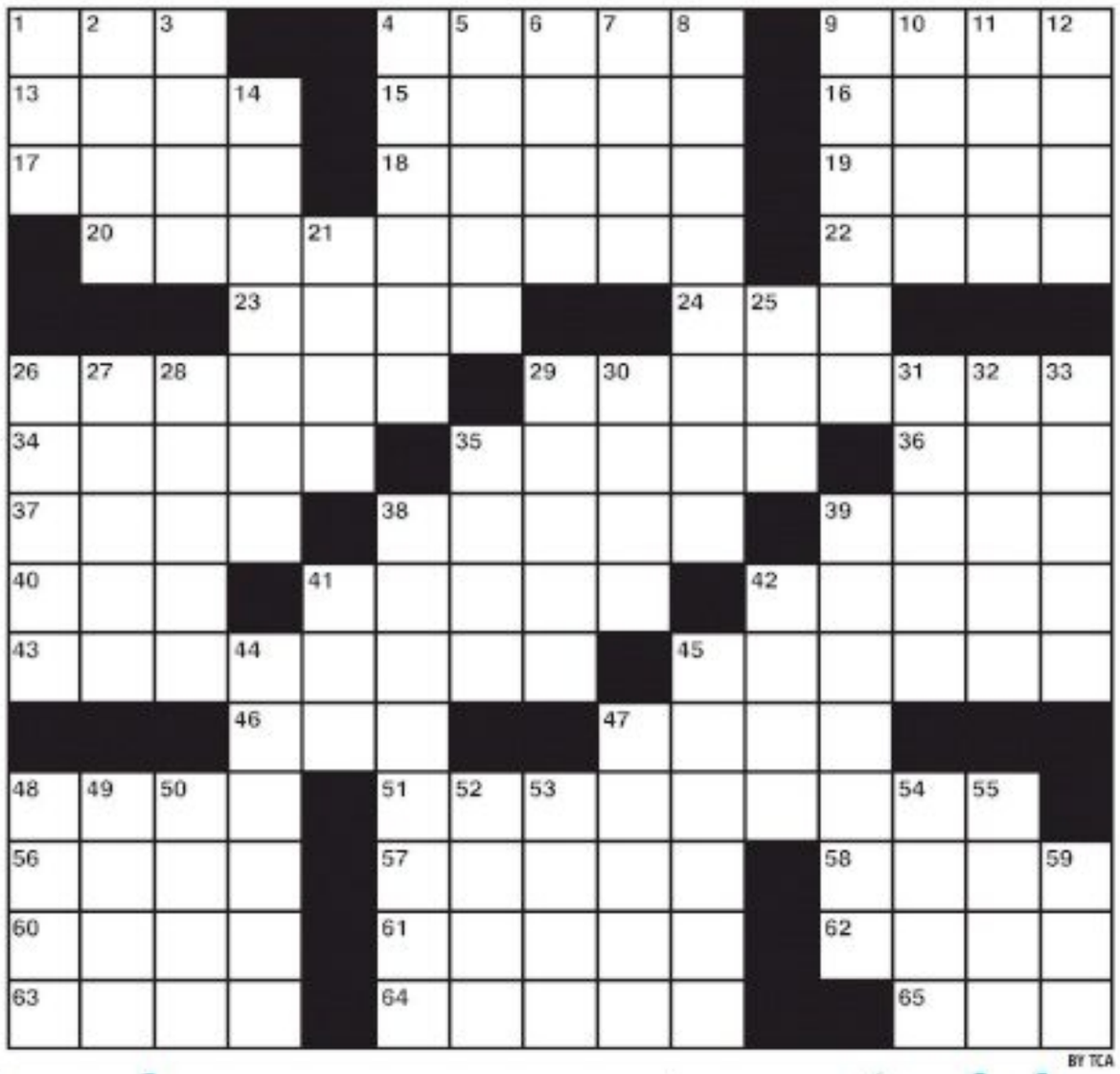

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